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TO : Chief, COAPS

FROM : Executive

SUBJECT: Peripheral Reporting Policy

DATE: 29 November 1950

With reference to your memo of 16 November on the above subject, the following action has been or is being taken:

Tab A: Returned herewith until our coordinating policy has been determined unless, for some reason, you would like it issued immediately.

Tab B: Sent to [] Director of Training, (unsigned) with a covering memo dated 29 November, copy attached for your information.

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Tab C: Signed by Executive 22 November and dispatched to Personnel Director.

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MEMORANDUM FOR: Assistant Director for Collection and
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Assistant Director for Operations
Assistant Director for Research and
Reports
Assistant Director for Special
Operations
Assistant Director for Scientific
Intelligence
Assistant Director for Policy
Coordination
Assistant Director for National
Estimates

SUBJECT: Field Reporting

1. Though the Departmental organizations have prime responsibility for overt field collection of information, CIA must constantly evaluate the strength and weaknesses of this undertaking under its overall duty of coordination.

2. Hence all Offices of CIA should bring pertinent items to the attention of the Collection Office for such remedial action as may be required to strengthen weaknesses or to fill gaps in reports coming from the field.

WALTER B. SMITH
Director of Central Intelligence

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Director of Training

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Overseas Personnel Rotation Policy

The attached was prepared for my signature and originally addressed to the Director of Personnel. I believe it merits a matter of your concern in the first instance, and then of a conference between you and [Redacted]. The next obvious step is for you, [Redacted] to have an informal session on the subject when you get time.

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I also think this is a proper subject for you to bring up at your first staff meeting tomorrow.

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Copies to:

Personnel Director

Chief, COAPS [Redacted]

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MEMORANDUM FOR: Director of Personnel

SUBJECT: CIA Personnel for Peripheral Reporting

1. The Department of State has requested the assistance of CIA in support of a peripheral reporting system recently established to compensate for the loss of reporting from within the Soviet and its Satellites. The immediate need of the Department is for qualified personnel to fill the new table of organization established in certain capitals of Western Europe and the Near East.

2. It seems to me we can effectively render assistance in this regard only when we are apprised specifically of the possible locations and of the kinds of personnel to be recruited.

3. Accordingly, you are requested to ascertain from the appropriate State Department officials their definite needs which will enable you to submit to them such names of CIA personnel as in your judgment meet those needs and can be spared of the Agency.

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cc: Signer's copy
Return to COAPS ✓

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